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IN RE APPLICATION OF:	ALBRECHT et al.	STATEMENT OF
CASE:	OST-041503	BASIS FOR
SERIAL NO.:	10/520,302	RELEVANCE OF
FILED ON:	June 18, 2003	FOREIGN
FOR:	METHOD FOR	LANGUAGE
	SUPPLYING A PAINT	DOCUMENTS
	APPLICATION DEVICE	IDENTIFIED IN
	WITH PAINT	SUBMITTED
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PUBLICATION NO.	PUBLICATION DATE	BASIS FOR RELEVANCE
EP 1 172 152 A1	January 16, 2002	Feed method has a given quantity of coating material moved along a feed line (ZLA,ZLB), providing potential separation, for supplying it to the spray coating head (Z) together with a displacement fluid between two spaced salamanders (M1A,M2A; M1B,M2B). Dosing of the coating fluid at the spray coating head is provided via a dosing pump (PA,PB) in the feedback line (RLA,RLB) for displacement fluid.
DE 197 42 588 A1	April 1, 1999	Residual coating material remaining in the connection pipe (12) to an applicator (10) is pressed through the pipe by a displacer. This is e.g. a pig, charged by a pressure medium, an elastically deformable ball with a diameter, similar to the inner diameter of the connection pipe, or a flowing medium, which does not mix with the coating material.

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The method involves separating individual quantities of paint and moving them in spatial and time intervals along a transport path between the delivery system and the consuming device (15), whereby the length (L) of the transport path exceeds the extent (1) of the individual quantities of paint (21) in the transport direction by an amount sufficient as an isolating distance.

DE 690 03 621 T2

May 11, 1994

The controlled-flow coating projection system has two delivery arms (200a,200b) arranged in parallel, each having an intermediary container (212a,212b) housing a piston or membrane (245) that defines a chamber containing the coating material and an operating chamber (246a,246b) to pressurise the coating material.

The delivery arms are connected, by valves, between a unit allowing changing of the coating material (211) and a coating projection unit (213).

DE 198 30 029 A1

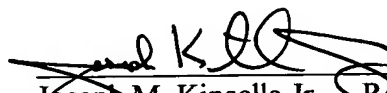
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The painting rig can paint in a sequence of colors. It includes a container with a measured quantity of paints. Sectors (5.1, 5.2, 5.3) of the central input line (5) serve as such a container. The various painting materials are within the sequence of sectors and are separated by separators (6). One of the sectors between two containing paint may contain a cleaning solvent (7).

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned, at (312) 226-1818, is respectfully invited.

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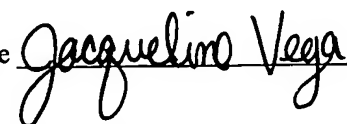

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